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Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Yes	Claimed No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as best defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>10/404,762</u> (Application Serial No.)	<u>March 31, 2003</u> (Filing Date)	<u>Pending</u> (Status) (granted, pending, abandoned)
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO.:)
FILED:)
FOR: COMBINATION PLOW AND)
CLAW ASSEMBLY)

DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
[37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)] - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled COMBINATION PLOW AND CLAW ASSEMBLY, described in the Specification filed herewith.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d).

If the rights held by me are not exclusive, each person, concern, or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract of law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below and identified as either an individual, a small business concern, or a nonprofit organization.

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Separate verified statements from each above named person, concern, or organization having rights to the invention and averring to their status as small entities are submitted herewith.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate [37 CFR 1.28(b)].

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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